

NC Pre-Kindergarten Transition Plan

Cabarrus County

NC Pre-Kindergarten Program Requirements and Guidance: *A written transition plan shall be developed and implemented by the Committee and Contractor showing how the transition needs of participating children will be met. The transition plan should specify how children will transition into the NC Pre-K classroom and into kindergarten, reflect the diversity and uniqueness of children, families and communities and be revised as ongoing transition efforts are expanded.*

Cabarrus County Transition Plan: Each NC Pre-Kindergarten site will develop an individual transition plan that describes their approach to transitioning children into and out of the NC Pre-Kindergarten program, as described in the NC Pre-Kindergarten Program Requirements and Guidance document. This transition plan will be included in the Site Application and can be updated by the site with each new application or as needed.

Guidance:

Across the county, NC Pre-K sites often provide activities similar to the list below.

Beginning of the year transitions

1. Home Visits before the first day of school
2. Staggered entry dates
3. Adjusted day schedule as needed for individual children
4. Parent conferences
5. Books and materials used during class time to reinforce smooth transition topics for children

Transition to Kindergarten

1. Kindergarten readiness workshops for parents conducted in English and Spanish
2. Kindergarten registration information given to parents
3. Transition activities in classrooms
4. Final parent conferences
5. Kindergarten registration and school tours in April; distribute cumulative folder documents for Kindergarten registration
6. Individual EC Pre-K Transition meetings
7. Staff joint training, when possible, between preschool and kindergarten teachers. Staff training is planned through formal and informal observation
8. Transition packets provided at the end of the program year that includes information about summer activities, school system procedures, and a school calendar
9. Create a "buddy" list of children who will attend the same school